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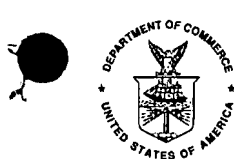
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The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on June 6, 2003, was filed after the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance on May 19, 2003. The submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is considered by the examiner.

The examiner's position in the previous office action on May 19, 2003 remains the same. Prosecution is thereby closed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Navin Natnithithadha whose telephone number is (703) 305-2445. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 9:00-5:00.

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